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Dear Abe,

I just received your wire. I do hope you have received the publicity by now. I am getting ready to fire my publicity man. He has done a lousy job. He is a new man, and I made a bad choice when I let the old one go.

I had planned to send you a night letter tonight to ask you please to let me know where we are booked, and to send me the addresses for rooms in the different cities. You must know where we are booked by this time. Our first game is just a little over a week away.

I have been noticing the difference in your mats and mine. I would appreciate it if you would give me some information about yours. In the east the white papers will not use mats. If they carry anything they want pictures. I find the colored papers seems to want the big mats. However I would like to have some of the kind the western teams use. They are much smaller than mine, and seem to be much thinner. I imagine they cost less. Please let me know.

I do hope we have some luck on this trip, because I want to come back early in September. So many of your western teams are coming east it has started me wondering if thing are not so hot out your way. Kansas City has almost moved out here. Everybody is coming out including Memphis and Chicago. Are they playing nights in Chicago. If so maybe we can get Chicago to give us a night on our next trip west, we are playing them a night in Newark in August. We are due in Pittsburg the 1st Sunday in Sept. and Detroit the 2nd.

Please let me hear from you right away with the addresses of the places to stay on the trip, and the names of the cities and parks where we are playing. Will appreciate this information right away.

Very Truly Yours